

IF OIL CUT-OFF CONTINUES

Shutdown threatens U.S. economy



Saudi Minister of Oil Zaki Yamani, with British Foreign Secretary Alec Douglas-Home and Algerian and Energy Minister Belkaid Abdesslem share a laugh with British Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home after their talks at Whitehall yesterday.

U.K. EXEMPT
LONDON (AP). — Saudi Arabia's oil minister promised yesterday that Britain, France and Spain would be exempt from the five per cent cut in oil production that Arab states plan in January.

Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani told a news conference the three countries were among the nations the Arabs view as "friendly." He said African nations which broke relations with Israel were also considered friendly and would get the same exemption.

Model its economic policy before Christmas to take account of the fuel shortage. He warned that not everyone would be able to keep his present job.

Mr. Brandt rejected any idea of taking economic sanctions in retaliation against the Arab countries. He stressed the energy crisis was not identical with the Middle East political crisis and said it would continue long after the Arab-Israeli conflict had been settled.

In Pretoria, Prime Minister John Vorster reacted calmly to the announcement on Wednesday in

Egyptians step-up violations

Jerusalem Post Staff

An Israeli soldier was killed and two others injured in a mounting toll of Egyptian cease-fire violations over the last two days that

The Egyptians opened fire about three kilometers south of the discussions tent on the Suez-Cairo road at about 11:30, when Aluf Yaviv and Egyptian General Gamasy were about to sit down for their hour-long session. The dust and sand kicked up by exploding mortar shells was visible from the tent.

The exchange fire ended only after Israeli and Egyptian officers, Captains Nissim Shama and Colonel Youssef Mekki, sped to the location of the incident in a U.N. vehicle. They too came under fire for a few moments. No casualties were reported.

A U.N. spokesman said yesterday that a U.N. observer team reported that the Egyptians had started the shooting.

The soldier killed was hit about noon on Wednesday by fire from an Egyptian sniper to the south of the Suez Canal. An Israeli soldier was injured in the incident. Neither name had been released as of yesterday.

The Army Spokesman announced five groups of incidents last yesterday, up to 7 p.m.:

• West of Fayid, where the Egyptians opened small-arms fire a number of times during the day, beginning at 8:45. In one of these incidents an Israeli soldier was wounded by sniper fire. Fire was returned.

• A Japanese Government spokesman announced in Tokyo yesterday that Deputy Prime Minister Takeo Miki will tour major Arab countries as the Japanese Government's special ambassador in an effort to win further relaxation of the Arab oil embargo.

• In Copenhagen the Danish Government yesterday banned the import of foreign labour and moved to ease out a number of foreign workers already in the country as a way of fighting the threat of widespread unemployment. On Wednesday the Government decided to cut deliveries of heavy fuel to industry by 25 per cent.

• France, outwardly unperturbed by the oil crisis, plans to announce its first fuel restrictions today to safeguard national stocks. The government ordered heating curbs in schools and universities.

• In Holland, Dutch Economic Affairs Minister Rudi Lubbers said, petrol rationing may start on December 1. (Rensler, AP, UPI) (See also Page 5)

Yariv hopeful despite deployment deadlock; Agree not to open fire

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The talks at Kilometer 101 between Israel and Egypt broke up yesterday over the issue of deployment of forces. At the same time both sides agreed to make special efforts to prevent violations of the cease-fire.

Israel's negotiator, Aluf Aharon Yariv, told the press after yesterday's meeting:

"Each side came up with proposals on disengagement that were rejected by the other. The main disagreement was over the principle of mutual territorial adjustments."

Other points included the presence of Egyptian divisions on the eastern side of the Suez Canal, finding the line of disengagement and the time schedule involved.

Aluf Yariv concluded his statement on an optimistic note, saying that although no time was set for the next meeting, "I assume the talks will continue and I hope we'll be able to solve the problems and increase the mutual understanding that has been reached up to now."

Aluf Yariv, it is learned, offered to hold another meeting Sunday but the Egyptian negotiator, General Gamasy, rejected this.

Egypt demands, formally, that Israel move back its forces on the west bank to the so-called line of October 22. This would mean Israel's encirclement of the city of Suez and the Egyptian Third Army on the east bank.

Israel has countered this with an offer for mutual withdrawal of forces from both sides of the Canal with the evacuated areas being brought under U.N. control.

Israel, it is learned, has also offered unofficially to withdraw its forces from the west bank to a point some 10-12 kilometers east of the Canal. This strip east of the Canal would be given over to U.N. supervision but the Egyptians would be enabled to keep a "symbolic" force in this area. Israel, under this proposal, would also pull back its main forces beyond artillery range of the Canal.

Egyptians rejected this offer, and submitted an "unofficial" counter proposal that Israel pull back to a position 35 kilometers east of the Canal. At the same time they would keep three divisions along a 10 km.

strip on the east bank, lighter forces in a strip another ten kilometers inland, with a 15 kilometer wide U.N. force between this area and the first Israeli forces (which would be "light" for a distance of 10 km). The Egyptians also stipulated that these positions would be held only until January 15 when Israel would have to engage in further withdrawals.

Israel's position, as defined by the Government, is that withdrawal, as distinguished from disengagement, can only be effected as a part of a settlement. That presumably will be the subject for the peace talks at Geneva. Disengagement, a more modest matter, is in the Israel view part of the cease-fire.

According to informed sources, this is also the American view, and Washington hopes that the impasse over disengagement can be outflanked by transferring the entire issue to the Geneva talks.

Until yesterday there were indications that President Sadat too would be prepared to hold the matter in abeyance for the Geneva meetings. But it is also known that there are pressures from within the Egyptian officer corps to resume the fighting in an effort to smash Israel's forces on the west bank and force them back across the Canal.

At the same time there were indications that Egypt is not interested in the violations of the cease-fire that have occurred in the past few days. These are said to have been local incidents and not inspired by the higher command.

At yesterday's meeting, Aluf Yariv said, both sides agreed to initiate contacts between local Egyptian and Israeli commanders under U.N. auspices, in an effort to prevent such incidents.

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Top priority for the future

IDF's deterrent image must be rebuilt

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on the practical value of the Bar-Lev line, were rebuffed. Although it was never expected to stand up indefinitely to an all-out Arab onslaught, it was supposed to have been a tougher nut to crack than it turned out to be and this in no way reflects on any senior commander — since once these strongpoints were out from the rear they were supposed to be able to hold out individually and for some time.

It will take some time to find out what went wrong where. But the I.D.F. has already lost much of its deterrent image. Only continued mobilization of reserves and a state of alert will now be sufficient to keep the Arabs away from our doorsteps.

This view could be an over-reaction. But it doesn't seem likely. Well informed sources

have it that the I.D.F. is still trying to reach its pre-October 6 strength. And it took all Israel had to bring the war to a successful, even if incomplete and unsatisfactory, conclusion.

If nothing less than heavy mobilization will serve as a deterrent, the Arabs have already one major achievement to their credit. A permanent state of mobilization and top alert, even if "only" 15 to 20 per cent of Israel's wage earners (excluding the regular army family heads) are involved — would ensure this country's limited economic and manpower resources.

It will mean the disruption of life as we have known it during the last 20 years of the State. The country's endurance is limited. The Arabs know it. They have said so time and again and added that their aim is, among

other things, to impose a long and drawn-out war on Israel — one which Israel could not survive economically but which they, the Arabs, could.

In other words, they intend to create an intolerable situation compelling Israel either to pick up the gauntlet and fight, or to negotiate its way out of this situation.

With this in mind, the Arabs have good reasons to maintain the present status quo — just less than a war of attrition, but with enough of their forces massed behind their lines to keep Israel on its toes ready to block any new blows.

The one choice Israel has is to recreate and enhance the deterrent image of the Israel Army. This would be necessary if only to impress it, upon the Arab world that Israel is not negotiating out of weakness.

This is perhaps the most serious loss suffered by the IDF during the war. It remains to be seen how the IDF will go about recouping.

The Navy could be used as a pointer in the right direction. Technological sophistication coupled with daring tactics and often downright audacity is one way out. There is no questioning the superiority of Israel's manpower. The question is how skillfully this superiority will be used and what new weaponry, system and doctrines will be devised. The aim is to reemphasize on the Arabs the hopelessness of attempting to solve the Middle East's problems by a combination of military and time-erosive tactics.

The ultimate question is whether, once the solution becomes available, the Arabs will take Israel's word for this or follow up the eventual disbandment of the reserve units with a new all-out onslaught, determined to the last to find things out for themselves.

Letter bombs caught

TEL AVIV. — Communications Ministry security men yesterday morning discovered and dismantled six letter bombs in the mail-sorting centre here. All had just come in a shipment from Holland.

The bombs came in identical white envelopes, 19 by 10.5 cm. They were addressed to places in Tiberias, Netanya, Gedera, Ashdod, Ashkelon and Beersheva.

Ghana to send troops for Unef

ACCRA, Ghana (AP). — Ghana has accepted a U.N. invitation to assign 600 soldiers to the U.N. peace force in the Middle East, it was officially announced here on Wednesday night. The first troops leave here December 15 and the rest will follow on December 28 and 29.

Brezhnev warns of 'explosion' if early peace evades Mid-East

NEW DELHI (AP). — Soviet Communist chief Leonid Brezhnev warned yesterday that unless Israel and the Arabs reach an early peace settlement, "a new and even more dangerous military explosion may occur in the Middle East at any moment."

"The hostile armies are confronting each other with their arms at the ready," Brezhnev told the Indian Parliament at the end of a four-day summit meeting with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. "It is clear that urgent measures must be taken to prevent new bloodshed and to establish a stable peace."

Brezhnev stressed that, from the Soviet viewpoint, Israel should make all the major concessions in any peace settlement. "The new war has shown with all clarity the inadmissibility of a further continuation of the explosive situation in the Middle East, the inadmissibility of the further presence of the aggressor on the lands he seized by force," he said warning: "Unless an early peace settlement is reached, unless all the consequences of Israel aggression are eliminated, a new and even more dangerous military explosion may occur in the Middle East at any moment."

In his first major statement on the Middle East since the war, Brezhnev outlined the basis for a possible peace settlement, which he hoped would be secured at the Israel-Arab talks due to begin in Geneva on December 18.

This (securing of a peace, settlement) requires that the lands seized by Israel be returned to their legitimate owners, that justice with regard to the Arab people of Palestine be ensured and that the foundation be laid on this basis for durable, peaceful coexistence and good neighbourly relations between the Arab States and the State of Israel," he said.

"Otherwise, there will be neither peace nor tranquility in the area. Historic responsibility rests on the participants in the forthcoming negotiations."

Brezhnev said that the Soviet Union "has no selfish interests in the Middle East whatsoever."

"Our only profound desire is to see that a genuinely stable peace, a just peace, is finally established in that part of the world, situated in proximity to the borders of the Soviet Union. And the Soviet Union, for its part, will do everything to actively facilitate this."

In the 5,000-word speech, the Soviet leader praised the terms of the last few years towards international détente, especially between Russia and the U.S.

He credited the détente with having averted a more serious international crisis than occurred during the war.

"Were the present conflict to break out in an atmosphere of general international tension and of exacerbated relations, say, between the U.S. and the Soviet Union, the clash in the Middle East could have been considerably more dangerous; it could have acquired dimensions threatening to universal peace," he said.

"And it can be said for sure that

in such a case there would have been no possibility for a joint initiative by the USSR and the U.S. which was supported by other states and has led to the well-known decisions of the Security Council on the Middle East and has made the cease-fire possible." (Asia — Page 5)

CHOU FINDS IT DIFFICULT

TOKYO (UPI). — Chinese Premier Chou En-lai called the Middle East problem "difficult and complicated," a Japanese news report from Peking said yesterday.

Chou's remarks came at a meeting on Wednesday with a group of visiting Japanese businessmen.

He was quoted as saying he believed the U.S. was ahead of the Soviet Union on the question of the Middle East. He declined to elaborate but said "the Middle East problem is difficult and complicated."

Suspected saboteurs seized in Jenin

Security forces have arrested 39 suspected terrorists in the Jenin district over the last few weeks, the Army Spokesman reported yesterday. The suspects are believed to belong to terrorist bands that were operating there and in the Tulkarm area. Some of the suspects were caught while in possession of arms and sabotage materials, the spokesman said.

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Vague new programme satisfies all sections of Labour Party...

By MARK SEGAL

JERUSALEM POST Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — All sections of the Labour Party are equally satisfied with the new peace-and-security programme tabled before the Central Committee, which will be voted on at Monday's scheduled meeting. But the programme came under attack from parties left and right of Labour (see below).

The final draft was the result of a compromise effort produced by a team headed by Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee chairman Eliahu Zuckerman. The team included Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, Foreign Minister Abba Eban, Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin (all of Mapai), Minister Yisrael Galili (Abdu Ha'avoda), and Deputy Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi (Rafi). The draft was later submitted for approval to the full leadership forum in which Premier Golda Meir took part.

It is reported that Point 12, which referred to security settlement plans, caused disagreement but in the end was opposed only by Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz, head of the Tel Aviv party branch.

The various grades of "maximalist" and "minimalist" schools of

thought (conveniently if imprecisely, dubbed "hawks" and "doves") now say they are pleased with the draft. As one participant put it, "The deliberate vagueness would do justice to Knesset." All sections breathed a sigh of relief that this vagueness enabled the drafters to keep the Labour Party intact in the face of current attacks on the national leadership.

The doves claim the new programme dumps the "Galili doctrine" and abandons the "oral doctrine" associated with Defence Minister Moshe Dayan. However, the hawks claim the "Galili doctrine" has no connection with the new programme. While the doves are happy with the frequent reference to the drive for peace, the hawks are satisfied at the mention of the defensible borders and the settlement clause.

OFFICIAL LINE
The official line was laid down yesterday by Mr. Yadin when he addressed the Central Committee of Ihud Hakvutot Vehakibbutzim at Kibbutz Einat, near Petah Tikva. He stressed that the new programme neither endorsed nor cancelled the "Galili doctrine." Mr. Yadin said the 14-point programme was meant to serve as a guide-line to the party platform, "which highlights the conclusions to be drawn from the war." In so far as they represent interim summaries for the aid of the Alignment Platform Committee, they do not touch on the "Galili doctrine."

As to the territorial principles of the Alignment mentioned in the "oral doctrine," Mr. Yadin said the programme did not refer to them. "But it is untrue to say that they no longer exist." The 14-point programme emphasizes Israel's "supreme effort" to seek out any prospect of peace on the eve of the Geneva peace conference. This programme gives expression to the collective thinking of all sections of the party, Mr. Yadin pointed out.

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but comes in for attack from left and right

JERUSALEM POST Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Herut Central Committee last night registered its view that "the ruling party in Israel has produced a document that will lead to capitulation and endanger the very existence of Israel."

"In order to avoid a Middle East Munich," Herut urged the formation of a new government geared to a new national policy ensuring real peace and security to the nation. Herut called on the electorate to provide the Likud list with the necessary power to form a unity government that will "rescue the nation from oncoming hazards and ensure the peace and security of the Jewish People in its homeland."

THE OTHER SIDE

On the other side of the political spectrum, Meir Pe'il, No. 1 candidate of the Moked Communist front, also denounced the new 14-point programme. He charged it re-endorsed Labour's "harmful line." Mr. Pe'il denounced the clause calling for "defensible borders that will ensure Israel the possibility of effective defence against military attack or blockade." He charged that this formula, "in effect, leaves the oral doctrine intact." Mr. Pe'il also charged that the clause urging selective security settlements was "in effect, the Galili plan." He found it deplorable that the Labour Party Central Committee "has in effect reconfirmed the Golda-Dayan-Galili line."

Moked announced it will march down Rehov Dizengoff tonight and hold a rally in the Carmel Theatre Hall. The street demonstration will be headed by Mr. Pe'il and Israeli Communist Party leader Yair Tshaban.



The circumcision of his son became a doubly happy occasion for the wounded soldier (major) to sign-alut (left) and his wife (right). The officer, Oded, 28, commanded a tank battalion during the October war and was hurt when his tank struck a mine in the Golan. The news that his wife had given birth to a son, Amir, was withheld from him until his condition had improved. Yesterday at the birth at Haifa's Rambam Hospital, Oded got news of his promotion from the O/C Northern Command, Aluf Yitzhak Hefi (left), and his divisional commander, Aluf Rafael Eytan.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy.
Outlook for Saturday: Partly cloudy, with possible local rains.

Weather synopsis: A barometric low over Turkey with weak trough for the eastern Mediterranean, is moving eastward.

Jerusalem	39	10-16	8-15
Golan	40	11-17	9-16
Nahariya	43	12-19	10-18
Safed	40	11-17	9-16
Haifa	46	12-21	10-20
Tiberias	37	8-14	6-13
Nazareth	41	10-18	9-17
Afula	49	14-21	12-20
Shomron	46	12-19	10-18
Tel Aviv	50	15-21	13-20
Lod	50	15-21	13-20
Jericho	38	6-12	4-11
Caesarea	42	10-18	9-17
Beersheba	43	11-19	10-18
Eilat	23	13-20	11-19
Tiran	43	15-21	13-20

Social and Personal

The President's wife, Mrs. Nina Katzir, yesterday gave a party for wounded soldiers at Tel Aviv's Sheraton Hotel.

Wilfried de Pauw, the new Belgian Consul-General, yesterday paid a courtesy call on Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

ARRIVALS

Sam Rothberg, for a private visit (by El Al).
Sidney Greenwald of Monsey, New York, chairman of American Friends of Laniado Hospital, Kiryat Sana Netanya, and Rabbi Samuel Wasserman of Montreal, chairman of the Board of Directors of the hospital.

DEPARTURES

Absorption Ministry Director-General Pinhas Dagan, for the U.S., to take part in a conference on encouraging immigration (by El Al).
Bruno Koebler, member of the Central Committee of the West German Builders' Union, for Frankfurt, after bringing a group of 25 young members of the million-strong union for a tour of Israel (by El Al).
Ruth Dayan, director of Maskit, for the U.S., at the invitation of the American Chamber of Commerce in Chicago (by El Al).

THE FRENCH WOMEN'S basketball champions, Clermont-Ferrand, last night defeated the Israeli champions, Tel Aviv Maccabi, 67-49 (27:24 at halftime), at the Yad Elhanu Sports Palace. The return game will be played in France next week, in the framework of the first round of the European Cup games.

ILP CALLS FOR 'THINK TANK' BEFORE GENEVA

JERUSALEM POST Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Independent Liberal Party Executive last night urged the immediate formation of a national security council composed of "the best brains in the land," which could advise the Government in advance of the Geneva conference.

The ILP (a minor coalition partner) regretted that the Alignment and the Likud opposition had refused to postpone the Knesset elections and rejected the demand to open up the candidates' lists.

Aloni raps idea of carless Saturday

JERUSALEM POST Political Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Shulamit Aloni, head of the Civil Rights List, yesterday said she was willing to back the National Religious Party's demand to make Saturday the obligatory carless day but only on condition that all public transport functions as on weekdays.

Mrs. Aloni declared the NRP argument—comparing it to the decision in European countries to make Sunday carless—spurious. "They know that public transport operates fully there, and also most Europeans have Saturday as their other leisure day," she said.

85 per cent ready to lower living standard, survey shows

JERUSALEM POST Economic Reporter
Eighty-five per cent of Israelis are prepared to lower their standard of living, according to a survey by the Institute of Applied Social Research and the Hebrew University. According to the survey, 81 per cent felt that the recent price increases were partly or wholly justified. Those who criticized the increases were mostly opposed to the higher cost of basic foodstuffs such as meat and rice. Almost no one complained about the price increase of less essential commodities.

The proportion of the public who thought their current income sufficient for all or most of their needs was 48 per cent in July-September (during an earlier phase of the survey). It rose to 63 per cent in November. There was a less enthusiastic increase in support for the Government's policies. In July-September, 19 per cent believed the Government was handling the country's economic problems satisfactorily. The proportion of approvals rose in November — but only to 35 per cent, the survey records.

Sixty per cent thought the Government handled these problems inadequately in July-September, and 36 per cent thought so in November. Fifty-five per cent of those questioned said they had already subscribed to the Voluntary War Loan on November 20, and another 28 per cent intended to subscribe.

Two-thirds did not know the terms of the loan (either the interest or the redemption period). Most intended to keep the certificates until they fell due. Ninety-one per cent believed the public was buying enough or should buy more of the loan. Only nine per cent thought the public was contributing too generously.

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Galilee villager shot to death

ACRE. — A 52-year-old shopkeeper in Mak'r village was shot to death yesterday evening by a man who walked into his shop brandishing a pistol. Eyewitnesses said the two men quarrelled and then the visitor pumped several bullets into his victim, Mohammed Assad Mikham, father of 10.

Police last night were looking for the killer, who fled immediately after the shooting. He is believed to be a Hafia man, with whom the victim apparently had a long-standing personal quarrel.

3 Golan Druse convicted of spying for Syria

JERUSALEM POST Reporter
KUNEITRA. — A military court sitting in Majdal Shams yesterday convicted three Golan Druse of espionage and sabotage activities on behalf of Syrian intelligence. They had pleaded guilty to the charges. The three, members of a spy ring of over 60 men caught less than a year ago, are Issam Safadi, 23, Yusef Salah Shams, 23, and Hassan Ali Safadi, 34. They were charged with possessing unlicensed arms, crossing the lines into Syria to transmit information of military value, and shadowing a security officer for the purpose of kidnapping him and handing him over to the Syrians.

Sentence will be pronounced next Wednesday. Issam Safadi was defended by advocate Felicia Langer, the other two by a lawyer who asked that his name be withheld. The court was composed of Rav-Seren Yitzhak Klausner, president; Seren Micha Schwarz; and Seren Yitzhak Paradi.

Katzir tours areas west of Canal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday toured the Israel-held area west of the Suez Canal, where he talked with soldiers and was briefed on the situation at the front by Deputy Chief of Staff Aluf Yisrael Tal. This was reported yesterday by the Army Spokesman.

Americans asked to help boost Israel tourism

JERUSALEM POST Reporter
Appeals have been sent to more than 800 American Jewish communities and organizations calling for urgent promotional campaigns to increase tourism to Israel. The cables appeals were dispatched by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, currently visiting Israel, at the request of Tourism Minister Moshe Kol.

The Minister, who received members of the delegation in Jerusalem, said the October war had interfered with what was this year expected to be a record number of 750,000 tourists.

Mr. Kol urged the Presidents Conference to help give wide publicity in the U.S. to the slogan "Visit Israel Now."

A number of important Jewish organizations have already responded to the Tourism Minister's appeal. El Al has announced it is sending 90 organized tourist groups to Israel next year. The Mizrachi Movement and Pioneer Women in the U.S. have decided to hold their annual conventions in Israel, and similar responses have come from Hadassah and from the Union of Synagogues.

Christian tourists, meanwhile, continue to arrive at an accelerated pace with the approach of the Christmas holidays. More than 800 Catholic and Protestant visitors from America and South Africa will have arrived by tonight. Seven planeloads landed at Lod Airport yesterday, and another five are due today.

Katzir: Need help from Diaspora Jews

JERUSALEM POST Reporter
Following the Yom Kippur War, Israel will be able to continue building the country only with the help of Diaspora Jewry, President Ephraim Katzir said Wednesday.

The President was speaking at the second annual dinner of Jerusalem's Sheare Zedek Hospital in the Knesset lobby Wednesday evening, at which he was given the Governor's Award. Mark Moscovici, president of the Israel Manufacturers Association, was guest of honour at the dinner attended by over 400 guests, many from abroad.

Hospital director Prof. David Meir said that construction of the seventh floor of the new 500-bed hospital in Givat Beit Hakarem should be completed in a little over three years. He announced a pledge for \$500,000 from U.S. West Coast donors; three donations of \$100,000 each by English donors, and \$150,000 and \$125,000 gifts from Israeli contributors.

Sheare Zedek is receiving strong support from a new circle of friends in Paris. The leading force behind this group is Solly Klaphak, 68, a retired smoked salmon magnate, who almost single-handedly organized the new group.

45 km. of pipes laid across Canal

JERUSALEM POST Staff
TEL AVIV. — Some 45 kilometres of pipeline have been laid on the Egyptian side of the Suez Canal by Mekorot, the company's spokesman said here yesterday. The pipeline will be put into operation within the next few days and will provide all units west of the Canal with sufficient hygienic drinking water. Mekorot has also constructed a number of reservoirs to store water.

The spokesman added that the effect of the recent rains on the underground water table was negligible. "Only very heavy rainfall will improve the water balance, which continues to be overdrawn," he said. This year only 88 million cubic metres of water have been pumped from the Kinneret; as compared to 245 million cubic metres during the comparable period last year, he added.



Soldiers on the northern front play volleyball to ward off the cold. Behind them is Mount Hermon, partially covered with snow.

Terrorists see Hussein's 'death'

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Palestinian terrorist leadership made clear yesterday they will not accept King Hussein of Jordan as their spokesman and will oppose the return of the West Bank to Jordan.

The Palestinian news agency Wafa issued one of its strongest condemnations of Hussein and said that the Arab recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization as sole representative of the Palestinians spelled "the definite death (of Hussein) and his agent regime."

"The Hashemite regime, like the Zionist regime, was built on the debris of Palestine," the Wafa statement said, adding that Hussein found himself "in complete Arab and international isolation."

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Russia, U.S. agree not to invite Arafat

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S. and the Soviet Union have agreed not to invite Palestinian representatives to the opening of Arab-Israeli peace talks in an attempt to avoid complicating the initial negotiations, Congressional sources said yesterday.

The agreement was reached during efforts to organize the conference, which American officials hope will begin on December 17 or 18, in Geneva. It was disclosed as Secretary of State Henry Kissinger continued his briefings to Congress on the Middle East situation.

One senior Congressman, a specialist in Middle East affairs, said he understood from Administration officials that the decision not to invite the Palestinians was made to prevent a complicating and potentially divisive issue at the preliminary talks.

This was a reference to opposition by both Israel and Jordan to participation by Yasser Arafat, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization who was recognized by the Arab summit conference in Algiers on Wednesday as representative of the Palestinians. However, it appeared the door has been left open for possible participation later by the Palestinians.

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said Mrs. Meir, that it objected to the proposal for international guarantees to protect her security. If one was proposing guarantees, one was by implication thinking of undefensible borders and unreliable peace treaties between Israel and the Arab states.

Israel wanted borders defended by itself. The most iron-clad guarantees imaginable had not saved Palestine from being invaded. Despite the grief in so many families' hearts — over the dead, the wounded and the missing — there were no Israelis, said the Premier, who questioned the vital need for Israel to retain its strength and ability to defend itself. In this connection, Mrs. Meir praised the U.S. for air-lifting the vital arms to Israel during the war and asked the Jewish leaders to take back with them Israel's thanks to their government.

Asked about probable procedure at the Geneva peace conference, the Premier said she envisaged separate talks with each Arab state on the strictly bilateral questions. She pointed out, though, that there were some basic problems which all the Arab neighbours shared in common with Israel — and chief among these was the nature of the peace. Were the borders to be crossed only by tanks, or by ordinary people in friendship?

Israel would object to the participation of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat — or indeed of any other country or organization beyond those invited. "It isn't a free-for-all," she said. "You'd be surprised how many volunteers there are to help us make peace..." She said additional participants should only be admitted by the unanimous approval of the original participants.

Arafat in fact was a "special case," because his organization stood for the destruction of Israel. "I don't know how you negotiate with someone who says: 'You are doomed to die.'"

Golda doesn't see the other side, sister says

By DAVID LENNON
JERUSALEM POST Correspondent
LONDON. — Prime Minister Golda Meir is incapable of seeing the other person's point of view, according to her sister, Clara Stern.

Golda's only surviving sister lives in Bridgeport, Connecticut, where she gave an interview to the BBC-TV programme "Midweek." In it, she spoke frankly about her sister "Golda."

"I once suggested to her that she should try to put herself in Nasser's shoes, try to understand his problems, and thus perhaps better understand him. She looked at me as if I was crazy, and in an outraged tone she said she couldn't do that," Clara recalled. "Golda," according to her sister, also "finds it very difficult to delegate responsibility. She prefers to do things herself."

At the same time, Clara insists that Mrs. Meir doesn't take arbitrary decisions on national matters, but consults with her Cabinet frequently. All decisions are taken by the Cabinet as a whole, she said.

As a young girl, Clara reports, Golda was "very attractive, though not beautiful, and would propose to her after a few meetings."

Clara believes that Golda's marriage failed, first because she met her husband Morris when she was only 14. Then, "Morris was a poet, a dreamer, he was a poet. They went to Eilat, Merhavim and Golda was happy, as that was what she wanted to do; but Morris sick with malaria, and they had to leave."

In addition to the disappointment which this caused Golda, Morris was a poor breadwinner and "whenever he did manage to earn some money, he would spend it on a bouquet of flowers for Golda. Instead of saving it."

Asked if she thought a dominant man would have made Golda better, Clara said "I don't think Golda really had time for marriage. She was too involved in the Jewish people."

And when it comes to Golda's death, Clara says, "I wish she would stop. I don't know," says Clara Stern. "I wish she would stop. But she has promised to serve another term, and the Golda was 'very attractive, four more years'."

Comedy-horror ingeniously done

At the Cinema
"Theatre of Blood" (Ophir, Tel Aviv), is an ingenious black comedy-cum-horror film about the macabre revenge of aging Shakespearean ham Edward Lionheart (Vincent Price) on eight London drama critics, who deny him a "best actor of the year" award.

Hidden away in a derelict theatre, Lionheart acts out scenes from his Shakespearean repertoire, and devises grisly deaths for the critics, each based on one of the Bard's plays. He is aided by his daughter (Diana Rigg, in a variety of disguises), and a group of down-and-out "meth" drinkers, who also double as his audience.

The highly competent cast, which reads rather like a who's who of the British cinema, includes Jack Hawkins and Dennis Price — both of whom died recently — Ian Hendry, Robert Morley, Coral Browne, Harry Andrews and Michael Hordern, all portraying the demented actor's luckless victims. Milo O'Shea and Eric Sykes appear as two not very effective police officers, and one glimpses familiar old faces (Diana Dors and Renee Asherson).

Directed with a sure touch by Douglas Hickox, from Anthony Greville-Bell's very witty screenplay, the piece also has the benefit of some striking sets and photography. Enjoyable entertainment, particularly for those who know their Shakespeare.

"Black Gunn" (reviewed yesterday) has moved to the Hadar Cinema, Ramat Gan.

Dr. IMRE KATZ

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Israeli junior leaves for Miami tennis championships

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Danny Kalovsky, 15, of the local Maccabi Tzafon club, left for Miami Beach this week to take part in the 60-nation 26th annual World Junior Tennis Championships, which start there December 18. It will be the 12th time Israel is participating in the event. His team-mate will be Yair Weizman of Tel Aviv Maccabi, who leaves for Miami in mid-December. This will be the first Israeli tennis team to compete abroad since the Yom Kippur War.

Kalovsky will spend the next few weeks training in Miami under championship director Eddy Herr, as well as participating in high-calibre meets in Florida. He will also play in the glamorous "Caribbean circuit," an extension of the World Junior Championships, which includes meets in Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic. In all, Kalovsky will be away for some 10 weeks, joining the army immediately on his return home. Wertheimer, also 15, who is in his last year of school, is only expected to participate in the Miami Beach championships.)

Meanwhile, the Israel Lawn Tennis Association announced yesterday that the start of its 1973-74 league season for men, planned for Saturday, will again be delayed because of "organizational difficulties." The league was originally scheduled to get under way on November 10, but then it was postponed because too many players were found to be still on active service.

ILTA heads Avram Feiger and Meir Samuels told The Post they hope to start the men's season on December 8, with the women's and "veterans" (for men of 45 and over) leagues beginning next week.

NRP candidate says Jerusalem's in danger

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Dr. Yosef Goldschmidt, NRP candidate for Mayor of Jerusalem, opened his party's election campaign last night with the warning that the slow pace of Jewish settlement in Jerusalem endangered the city's future in the current political situation.

Mayor Teddy Kolek's wasteful planning has not produced the results which Jerusalem needs, Dr. Goldschmidt told NRP election headquarters. The city needs a traditional Mayor.

700 WOUNDED

There are 700 — not 1,700 — soldiers still in hospital for wounds suffered in the current war, the army spokesman said yesterday. Answering a question, he said the larger figure, published in yesterday's press, referred to the total number of soldiers hospitalized for all causes. The majority were in hospital for illness, not injuries, he explained.

Knesset works to allow 18-year-olds to vote

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The Knesset yesterday voted to committee on the first reading a provisional amendment to the Elections Law which would allow all Israelis who reach the age of 18 by December 31 to vote in the general election which takes place that day.

Sixty-four voted for the amendment, none against. The Law Committee began sitting after the first reading was over, to prepare the amendment for the second and third readings which are due to be held next Tuesday.

(The Interior Ministry, which handles election preparations on behalf of the Knesset and Municipal Elections Committees, started on the additions to the electoral rolls a week ago without waiting for the OK from the Knesset — so as to make sure the names and particulars of the 18-year-olds would be added in good time, and the new voters properly notified. Replying to the debate on the first reading (which took place on Monday), the Alignment's Avraham Ofer said the postponement of the elections suggested by several opposition M.K.s was a threat to democracy. To describe the holding of elections as "a luxury" in times of emergency was to misunderstand the vital democratic need of the nation to decide who should speak and act in its name precisely in times of emergency.)

Union orders four ship crews to 'forcibly resist' dismissal

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Marine Officers Union yesterday ordered its men on four small Zion company coasters, to "resist by force" any attempt to sign them off the ships, which have been sold to foreign buyers. Union secretary Captain Shmuel Zucker said the order was valid in foreign waters as well as in Israel. If the men are forcibly removed, "we'll find other ways of reacting," he warned.

Captain Zucker and his colleagues in the union leadership said Zim had sold the ships without consulting the union "as required under an agreement with us." Furthermore, the union demanded that Zim "get rid of the dozens of foreign chartered ships it operates in the Mediterranean" before it sells these Israeli flag ships. The chartered ships, the union said, take away premium work positions from its men, while the ships due to be sold are much sought after by Israeli crews because of their frequent home calls.

Of the four ships, which have a deadweight of 3,000 tons each, the Sarah and Miriam are to be handed over to their new owners next month. The remaining two, Esther and Rivka, are to be delivered at a later date. The ships have a complement of 24 men each, including five officers.

The Zim spokesman said the management had reached agreement with the union on its plan to sell the ships, which are steady money-losers, in return for the introduction of its two new roll-on-roll-off freighters, Iris and Narkis. The agreement was reached before the two new ships were delivered several months ago, he said. He claimed the two ships had opened more work places on the Mediterranean route, since they employ back-up crews as well as regular crews. The crews work in rotation, because the ships spend only a matter of hours in the ports, due to their modern cargo-handling facilities.

ICHLOV HOSPITAL in Tel Aviv has changed its visiting hours. Beginning Sunday it will be open to the public from 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. and from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.

Thousands mourn fallen of unknown burial places

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Thousands of mourners thronged the Mount Herzl Military Cemetery in Jerusalem yesterday morning for a memorial service for the fallen of the Yom Kippur War whose places of burial are unknown.

A total of 79 wooden markers were set in the central section of the cemetery among memorial stones of soldiers fallen in the War of Independence. The simple white markers under the IDF emblem bore only the men's names and serial numbers.

The ceremony opened with a be-reaved mother, Felice Schwartz, lighting the memorial flame. The Chief Army Chaplain, Tat-Aluf Mordechai Piron; the O/C Central Command, Aluf Yona Efrat; and a representative of Yad LeChaim eulogized the fallen. The theme that, through their heroism and self-sacrifice, the young men had saved the nation, ran through all the speeches. After a be-reaved father, Moshe Asa, recited the "Kaddish" prayer and the Chief Army Chaplain chanted "El Melech Rahamim," the service closed with three volleys fired by a paratroop honour guard.

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren was among the mourners. A few of the mourners complained



A soldier stands at attention, facing the crowd of mourners at Har Herzl yesterday.

that, although the army had informed them that their men were dead and that their burial places were unknown, their names were not among the 79 officially listed. ("See 'Relatives,' this page.")

Several women fainted and were carried to the Magen David Aadam first aid station. Long after the ceremony ended at 12.30, silent groups of mourners still lingered in front of the white wooden markers bearing the names of their loved ones. Memorial services for several score fallen whose families were not notified at the time of the main ceremonies earlier this month were also held at temporary military cemeteries around the country.

Peres: Geneva talks must be give-and-take

EINAT. — Israel is not going to the Geneva peace conference to accept dictates but to negotiate on a give-and-take basis. Transport and Communications Minister Shimon Peres told a meeting of Ihud Hakvutot VeHabibbutzim leaders at Kibbutz Einat yesterday.

"The negotiating table is not a place where one goes to be dictated to," he said, "but to give and take. The Arabs are mistaken if they think we shall do all the giving and they all the taking."

The Minister said the Labour Party's new electoral peace programme should be seen in the light of Israel's serious approach to the peace talks. "We are prepared to make territorial concessions," he said, "though we are not prepared to give up Jerusalem, evacuate the Golan Heights or give up our freedom of shipping through the Gulf of Elat."

As to the Golan Heights, he said, were it not for our settlements there it would be the first item on the agenda at peace negotiations on which we would be pressured to make a withdrawal. (Ithm)

The people must be asked to decide border changes

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Dr. Elimelech Rimalt, Liberal Party chairman, said yesterday that any far-reaching decision concerning a change in the country's borders should be approved in a referendum.

Speaking at a Rotary Club luncheon at the ZOA House here, Dr. Rimalt said political party platforms could not be relied on when it comes to momentous decisions because the circumstances were likely to change. "The people must be asked," he said.

Commenting on the Labour Party's new electoral peace programme, he said it showed that the doves had the upper hand. He said the Government was "tired and torn by internal dissent," as a result of the "fatal mistakes of the Yom Kippur War, which hang over its head like a black cloud."

Rejecting the view that peace was at hand, he said it could come in three or four years, on condition "we have a government that can stand up to pressure." The big argument was over Israel's existence, not territories, he asserted.

Cities ask teachers to allow 45 per classroom

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Union of Local Authorities has asked the Histadrut Teachers Union to permit an increase in the number of children per class in view of a severe shortage in classrooms.

In a letter to the Teachers Union, the chairman of the Union of Local Authorities, Holon Mayor Pinhas Bylon, said the union should not raise any objections to classes numbering 45 rather than the current maximum of 40 children. He said such an increase would only be a temporary emergency measure, as the construction of many additional classrooms which were to have been completed by the end of the holidays has now been delayed indefinitely as a result of the war.

The union has long been campaigning for the reduction of the number of pupils per class to a maximum of 35. The issue was considered important enough by the union to serve as the basis for a number of strike warnings and even for several partial strikes in the last few years. Although the Teachers Union leadership has still to meet and take up Mr. Bylon's

THE NETANYA SOLDIERS Welfare Association on Wednesday organized a *brit milah* ceremony for the son of a wounded soldier. Sergeant Moshe Cohen, who is recuperating at the Association's rest-home in the town.

No one cares or understands' RELATIVES OF MISSING STORM KNESSET GATES

ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
A dozen relatives of missing soldiers forced their way past guards yesterday morning to the entrance of the Knesset to protest that the Government was neglecting their

threatened to burst into the Knesset and wreck the peace, saying that Premier Golda Meir and Minister Moshe Dayan to hear their pleas and them. They also demanded supplies to the encircled Third Army be halted till Syria free all the Israeli

of the more overwrought demonstrators said they were the Premier and the Minister "a one-hour ultimatum" to appear or to act. They forced windows in the office Palombo Gates and a plate-glass at the Knesset entrance. Many were shouting King.

nesset guards and ushers who he plight of the relatives of King abstained from use of and seemed torn between sympathies and their duties. Men and women were called stood by a considerable dis-

young man was taken to the David Aadam clinic with cuts by broken glass. An ambulance in the Knesset parking was not needed.

gation of the relatives went to building at noon, when a 50 or 100 was still outside. They spoke to a number of various factions. Their complaint was that, from the day, when they feared the relatives were missing, they had been treated with "harshly state" replies in their own the town majors. They one run-around after any complaint. As someone cared, nobody un-

and nobody was in charge. The crowd surged through the gates to the building. A second delegation and belittled, at once rushed to the to talk to Speaker Yis-

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Dr. Avner H. Shaki

MOVEMENT FOR SOCIAL INTEGRATION... while grateful for return of our prisoners of war from Egypt, demands that the government of Israel and the United Nations exert all their efforts to secure the immediate release of prisoners of war in Syria.

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MOVEMENT FOR SOCIAL INTEGRATION... regrets the rejection of a proposal for the formation of an Emergency Government that could represent the majority of citizens in dealing with the urgent and continuing Israel today.

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WHITE HOUSE CLAIMS 'TAPES ARE INTACT'

WASHINGTON (AP). — The White House said yesterday all seven subpoenaed Watergate tapes "are intact" and charged that the staff of the special Watergate prosecutor is displaying "ingrained suspicion and visceral dislike for this President and this administration."

The heated charge came from Press Secretary Ronald P. Ziegler, who made an unusual appearance to brief newsmen at the White House because of the illness of deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren.

Ziegler noted reports Wednesday in federal court that technicians, in duplicating the subpoenaed tapes, had detected conversationless spots in some tapes. Earlier, the White House had disclosed an 18-minute gap existed in the tape of a June 30, 1972 conversation between Nixon and H.R. Haldeman, then White House Chief of Staff.

Ziegler said "there has been an impression" that conversations on the seven subpoenaed tapes "are not intact."

He said "in fact, they are intact." And the press secretary said that the White House recording system

was sound-activated and could have been set off by sounds from an air-conditioner or a ticking clock as well as by conversations.

"It's a lousy system," he declared of the White House taping operation.

The White House said last month that two other subpoenaed tapes don't exist.

Ziegler attributed some of the difficulties of the White House in the handling of the subpoenaed materials as due to an overworked staff and "somewhat sloppy" work on the part of the special prosecutor's staff in drafting its subpoenas.

He said the Watergate lawyer staff at the White House was being expanded, but insisted that White House special counsel J. Fred Buzhardt would continue to play a key role in helping to clear up Watergate matters.

Buzhardt said in federal court yesterday he nearly duplicated the tapes that obliterated conversation on the 18-minute segment.

"We got a very similar sound," he told a hearing called to determine

what had caused the gap in the tape of the conversation between Nixon and Haldeman.

Buzhardt said that on the night of November 21, only hours after he had reported the existence of the gap to U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica, he tried to duplicate the buzzing sound appearing on the original subpoenaed tape.

Buzhardt said he conducted his tape experiment in the office of Rose Mary Woods, Nixon's personal secretary. He said he pushed the start and record buttons and turned on her electric typewriter and high-intensity lamp. A blank tape was on the machine.

Then he turned off the electric typewriter, leaving the lamp on and the tape still running, he said.

Buzhardt testified that with both the lamp and typewriter turned on, a sound appeared on the tape very similar to the one heard during the first five minutes of the obliterated segment of the original tape.

The sound produced after the typewriter was turned off was very close to what was heard during the remaining 13 minutes of the obliterated segment, Buzhardt said.

PENTAGON: ISRAEL LOST 420, ARABS 1,274

Estimates of tank losses cut

By FRED S. HOFFMAN
WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. military authorities have sharply scaled down their assessments of both Israel and Arab tank losses in the 18-day war last month.

They now believe that 420 Israeli tanks were destroyed instead of the 840 they listed when the fighting ended on October 24.

These authorities say four Arab nations — Egypt, Syria, Iraq and Jordan — lost a total of 1,274 tanks, a decrease of 733 from the earlier calculation.

U.S. experts said the new figures were reached after rechecking reports by U.S. observers and by establishing that many of the tanks once listed as knocked out can be repaired.

According to American analysts, after-action reports still being studied show that the Israelis inflicted most of the Arab losses in tank-vs-tank battles. The Israeli artillery and missile-firing warplanes accounted for the rest.

On the other hand, Arab infantry using Soviet-made anti-tank missiles are credited with destroying most of the Israeli tanks. The bulk of Israeli tank losses was sustained in the first few days of

fighting, before Israeli generals adjusted their tactics.

Meanwhile, reports of air losses have stood up well under closer scrutiny.

According to current U.S. evaluations, the Israelis lost 106 planes, while the Egyptians, Syrians and Iraqis lost 449 altogether. This gives the Israelis a better than 4-to-1 margin. About 80 per cent of the Arab losses occurred in aerial duels with Israeli pilots, U.S. officials said.

Soviet-built missiles fired by ground soldiers scored a majority of the kills against the Israeli air force. This, too, happened in the opening days of the war, before the Arab missiles were put out of action.

The Russians are said to have replaced virtually all of the Egyptian and Syrian losses in armor, aircraft and other equipment. The U.S. has replaced most of Israel's losses, including F4 Phantom and A4 Skyhawk jet fighters and fighter bombers, sources said.

But, while the two super powers can send new weapons and planes to the Israelis and Arabs, they cannot make up losses in trained manpower. Here, U.S. officials said, the Arabs probably sustained heavier losses than the Israelis.

Soviets call for Asian security scheme

NEW DELHI (AP). — Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev yesterday urged the countries of Asia to consider actively his plan for collective Asian security.

In the strongest appeal he has ever made for the four-year-old proposal, the Soviet Communist Party chief told the Indian Parliament.

"It seems opportune to hold a thorough and comprehensive discussion of the idea of collective security in Asia, which would help trace a common approach, acceptable to all states concerned, toward the problems of peace and security in the continent."

Brezhnev, after four days of talks with Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, said relaxed tensions in Asia, which his plan would bring about, would ensure "the peace and security of nations on a worldwide scale."

Moscow considers India its most powerful ally on the continent and, by virtue of its 1971 military victory over Pakistan, a leading military power in the region.

The Soviet leader first proposed the plan in 1969 to a world Communist audience. He has appealed for it several times since, but generally has stopped short of proposing such active consideration as he did yesterday.

EUROPE DRAWS UP OIL 'SOLIDARITY BLUEPRINT'

BRUSSELS. — The European Common Market's executive commission yesterday announced a blueprint for European solidarity to cope with the Arab oil crisis. The announcement came as Saudi Arabian and Algerian ministers began day-long meetings with British ministers in London to explain Arab oil supply policy and answer questions on its implications for Britain and her EEC partners.

In Brussels the Market's commission spokesman said the solidarity plan together with a package of anti-inflation measures, will be submitted to the Common Market's decision-making Council of Ministers next week.

Finance and foreign ministers of the nine-nation community, which has been seriously affected by the Arab "oil weapon" will meet in Brussels on December 3 and 4 to seek ways of tackling the energy problem and inflation.

The spokesman did not disclose any details of commission proposals in response to oil shortages but indicated they centered on ensuring adequate supplies to all Common

Market countries.

Meanwhile in London Saudi Arabian oil minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani and Algerian Industry Minister Ehsaid Abdesslem yesterday drove up to the Industry Ministry in a gasoline-guzzling limousine while the British minister arrived in a modest, 16-kilometer-to-the-litre minicar.

It was an eloquent prelude to the British Government's talks with the two Arab visitors. They began their talks here with Industry Minister Tom Boardman. Later they had appointments with Prime Minister Edward Heath and Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home.

After Yamani and Abdesslem finished their hour's talk with Sir Alec, a Foreign Office spokesman said the meeting centered on the political aspects of the Middle East situation.

Sir Alec reportedly drew the attention of the two ministers to the great importance which Britain and the other Common Market countries attached to the community's declaration on the Middle East of November 6.

He emphasized that this declaration represented a united position of the nine countries concerned. Sir Alec hoped that the importance of this declaration was fully recognized, informed British sources later reported.

They said that Sir Alec emphasized that the European Community members together were anxious to do all they could to help promote a Middle East settlement in accordance with the declaration. But, he added, that oil cutbacks and embargo were counter-productive to this end.

The two oil ministers cancelled plans to visit Bonn next week during their European tour, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said in Bonn yesterday.

The spokesman said the ministers had informed his government that "other engagements" forced them to postpone the trip, but they would remain in touch to fix a new date.

Yamani and Abdesslem, flew to London from Paris and were expected to leave for Brussels last night. (AP, Reuters, UPI)

Heavy Vietcong shell attack near Hue

SAIGON (AP). — Communist forces fired 721 rockets and mortar rounds into a government position 12 miles south of Hue in the heaviest shelling attacks since the cease-fire 10 months ago, the South Vietnamese Government reported.

The shelling command said the shelling Wednesday was followed by an infantry assault which the South Vietnamese repelled with artillery fire.

The Viet Cong said in a statement the South Vietnamese had launched "land grabbing" operations there in early November, and the Communist attacks were counter measures.

In Cambodia, government infantry recaptured three villages about 14 miles south of Phnom Penh, field reports said. Little resistance was reported, and the Khmer Rouge insurgents appeared to be pulling back from the government drive to push back the Capital's southern front.

Davis Cup final begins today in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Ohio (AP). — America's top-ranked Stan Smith will face Australia's John Newcombe in the opening match of the Davis Cup challenge round here today. The second match sends Tom Gorman of the U.S. against Australian veteran Rod Laver.

The doubles match between teams yet to be designated will be played Saturday, with the final two singles, reversing the order, scheduled Sunday.

Australia has assembled an aging team of former champions in an effort to regain the trophy which the U.S. wrested from the Australians in 1968 and has held ever since.

The four-man Australian squad — Laver, 35, Newcombe, 28, Ken Rosewall, 39, and Mel Anderson, 38 — holds a total of 25 major championships.

Except for Smith, who has won one Wimbledon and one U.S. crown, no other American team member has won a national title.

Smith, 26, for the past two years rated the world's No. 1 player, is expected to play an iron-man role, teaming with 22-year-old Erik Van Dillen in Saturday's doubles.

LONDON 'TIMES'

Negotiation still possible despite Algiers declaration

LONDON (INA). — Israel should not take the declaration made at the Arab summit in Algiers calling for withdrawal from all territories taken in 1967 as meaning there is nothing to hope for from negotiations, "The Times" said yesterday in an editorial. The paper commented:

"It would be tragic indeed if Israel interpreted the Algiers declaration as meaning that she has nothing to hope for from negotiations. If she did so, she would be making precisely the mistake for which she reproached the Arabs after 1967, when the Arabs refused to negotiate from a position of weakness on the basis of unacceptable Israeli demands. The Arab attitude today is a great advance on the no negotiations, no peace, no recognition stand. True, their position is also stronger, so that their demand for Jerusalem today has to be taken much more seriously.

It is now Israel's turn to feel that she is being asked to negotiate under duress, with the Russians pressing on her chest and the Americans twisting her arms behind her back. But her position is still much stronger than was that of the Arabs after 1967. She would surely be wrong not to negotiate now that she has the chance.

OIL CRISIS HASTENS DAY OF NUCLEAR ENERGY

By GABRIEL SENEVIRATNE
NUCLEAR energy seems to have taken a giant stride towards the hearts and hesters of the home in the past few weeks — powered by the Arab cut-backs on oil supplies.

Before the latest round of hostilities in the Middle East the technology was ready but the promotion of nuclear power stations was muted. The time-frame for the new generation of "fast breeder reactors" was long. The \$2,000 million U.S. Atomic Energy Commission plan to set up a network of these breeders throughout the United States, for example, was thinking in terms of the years around, if not after, the year 2000.

When in June the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in favour of the Scientists' Institute for Public Information (SIPI) and stopped the USAEC programme, until an assessment of the environmental impact the reactors would create was made available for public assessment, the decision was accepted almost with equanimity.

In September a working group of Pugwash, the highly respected movement of international scientists, which included some of the world's top nuclear physicists and radiation biologists, studied the whole question of radioactive pollution of the environment in the context of the energy problem.

MAJORITY VIEW
The majority view was that the new breeders which most industrialised nations seemed to favour using, were not necessary in the next 50 years. They were considering the new liquid-metal cooled fast breeder reactors in contrast to the old "thermal," low-energy ones, and also thinking in terms of the abundance of low grade ores of the uranium feedstock (UO₂).

But they did find that the breeders failed to solve any of the old problems of getting controlled energy from rupturing nuclei (more than one nucleus) and that "some are significantly aggravated."

That was only weeks before the October conflict and the current fuel crisis in the industrialised West and Japan. In the middle of November, Sir John Hill, of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, was only echoing the confidence of the industry when he told a gathering at the Royal Society in London that we have to start now for the 1980s because the breeders take seven years to build.

In Britain the debate is between using gas-cooled breeders of its own design, the first one of which is due to "go critical" next spring, and importing American ones cooled by water, or others.

FORMIDABLE
The nuclear industry admits the existence of formidable problems by emphasising the formidable measures taken to combat them. They sound good (the safeguards, not the dangers) but, as has been pointed out, solutions cannot be claimed by pointing to the efforts to solve.

The Earth Resources Research, Ltd., has just produced a careful and unemotional assessment of the problems in a document — "World Energy Strategies: Facts, Issues and Options," by Alvin E. Lovins — which gives as an idea of the giant on the doorstep.

The plutonium 239 inventory of one to three tons in a single fast breeder is one danger source picked at random from a long list set out by Lovins. The problem is great because the material is so extremely toxic. "A lethal dose for everyone on earth could probably be contained in a place the size of an orange," says Lovins.

Our worry, of course, is whether the stuff can be properly confined to where it can go about its business without getting in our way. The nuclear advocates argue that it is. At the Royal Society, Sir John Hill spoke of reinforced concrete within reinforced concrete among other safeguards and said he could not imagine how it could possibly get out of control.

DANGERS
The industry wants to get going and some areas, which its opponents consider fraught with the most dreadful dangers, tend to be accepted as perfectly all right within the foreseeable future.

Sir John said as much on the subject of what to do with the highly radioactive waste which results from the nuclear energy cycle. He spoke reassuringly of British waste which is kept in concentrations of acid in tanks in concrete vaults in stainless steel. The containers are monitored and can be pumped into other tanks in case of need.

The point, he said, is that it is not such a problem to be left for future generations to solve. Certainly not as bad as leaving them with depleted stocks of fossil fuels.

And those are the clear alternatives almost taken for granted. For the industrialised world it is a straight choice of developing new forms of energy or burning out the conventional ones.

The economies now forced upon the developed world through reduced oil limits, no Sunday roads, reduced home heating if things get really bad, a cut-back on flights by airlines are reckoned to save, for as long as they last, more energy as the rest of the world would normally use for everything in the same length of time.

(Continued)

Release of jumbo followed radio message to hijackers

DUBAI. — Dubai Information Ministry officials yesterday revealed that three Arab hijackers released a KLM jumbo and hostages Wednesday night after receiving a radio message from an undisclosed headquarters. The contents of the message were not known.

The officials stressed that the hijackers made "no conditions" on their surrender and the Dubai Government made "no concessions." The hijackers' requests for safe conduct out of the country were not granted, officials said.

The jumbo flew from Dubai to Amsterdam yesterday. (AP, UPI)

whether the hijackers were prisoners or guests in Dubai. They had asked to be treated kindly and not imprisoned, but a police spokesman said only that they were "in custody at an unknown place."

The hijackers' surrender here Wednesday evening releasing their last hostages after a day of tense negotiations conducted on a three-way telephone link between the Dubai Airport, KLM headquarters and the Dutch Government at The Hague.

Former Nixon aide indicted

WASHINGTON (PI). — Dwight Chapin, President Nixon's former appointments secretary, was indicted yesterday on four counts of lying to the Watergate grand jury.

The charges are similar to perjury and are punishable by a maximum penalty of \$10,000 and five years in prison on each count.

He is charged with lying to a Watergate panel investigating "dirty tricks" about his relationship with Donald H. Segretti, an old college chum who recently pleaded guilty to a three-count charge of violating federal election laws. Segretti is serving a six-months sentence.

Home slurs Jewish M.P.'s loyalty

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — British Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home raised a minor storm inside and outside Parliament on Wednesday when he called into question the loyalty of one of the Jewish members of the House of Commons.

Gerald Kaufman, Labour M.P. for Manchester Ardwick, asking about oil supplied to Holland, had described that country as "Britain's loyal and steadfast ally." Sir Alec has taken some punishment from the pro-Israel lobby over recent weeks, but few people were prepared for his reply to the pro-Israel Mr. Kaufman. "I am not sure," Sir Alec said, "that the words loyalty

and steadfastness come very well from the honourable gentleman."

Mr. Kaufman blinked and looked a little shaken as loud protests arose from the Labour benches. Labour M.P. Eric Heffer rose on a point of order and said: "Coming from someone who sold this country out at Munich and who at the present moment is selling the country out to the Arabs, it is not good enough for such a statement to be made — can we have a withdrawal?"

Only somewhat less heatedly, Labour M.P. Frank Ailman asked if there was not a distinction to be drawn between disloyalty to one's country and disagreement with its

foreign secretary. If the latter were to be classed as disloyalty, "probably every member of this House could be regarded as disloyal. Therefore I am asking you (the Speaker) to ask the Foreign Secretary, despite his elevated position, to withdraw that remark."

The Speaker said that there had been no breach of order so he could not ask Sir Alec to withdraw, though he added that he always deprecated strong language and "personal suggestions."

Finally, Sir Alec said that he did not mean to question the loyalty of Mr. Kaufman to this country. If he interpreted it that way, I will withdraw it.

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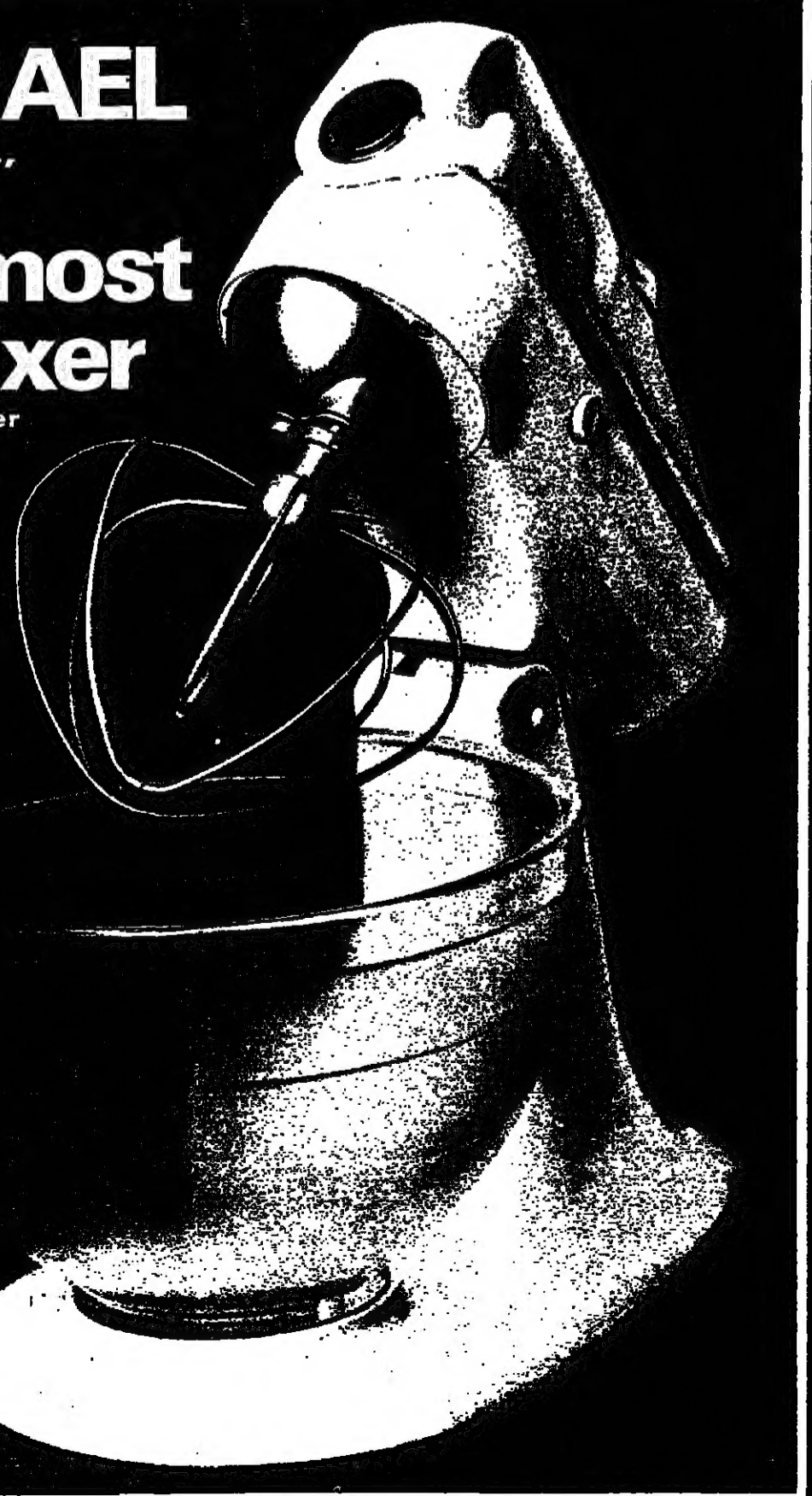
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THAT WAS THE WEEK THAT WAS

Traffic always stops on Yom Kippur

By SHALOM COHEN

TOMORROW is Yom Kippur. From sunset tonight until nightfall tomorrow, most Jews will be fasting and spending much of their time in synagogues, repenting of their sins and praying for a good year. The country will come to a standstill... with only the Defence Forces and the most vital services keeping operational. Traffic will halt this afternoon.

There's been a fall-off in tenders offered for posts in the Middle East. Flashbacking the news in the week that was, the latter half of the Ten Days of Penitence between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, is like taking a trip on an eccentric time machine, or getting on the wrong bus. Some spots are recognized, others are familiar but forgotten.

For news published in Ostich Week, let us begin arbitrarily on October 1, a Monday. Fully three-quarters of the front page was devoted to Schoenau. Golda was giving it to them in Strasbourg, at the Council of Europe. A smaller item tells of one of those "puzzling" unannounced Gaddafi visits to Cairo. No clue here — Gaddafi has since grumbled that he had not been kept posted of Sadat's war plan. The inside pages are also chock-full of Kresky, and also a news agency item quoting the new U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia as saying that King Faisal was "dead serious" about oil supply threats.

Tuesday, October 2, and two-thirds of the front page still Schoenau. In another eye-catching front-page item dated Cairo, Egypt awards a U.S. firm a \$345m. contract to build a Suez oil pipeline. Pipe of peace. Staying in the front page, "Informed sources state they did not expect a Syrian military initiative along the Golan front in the predictable future, despite the bolstering of forces in the area."

The report also notes that "Israeli forces along the Golan front were placed on alert over the New Year weekend," the sources explaining the alert as "standard practice" during Israel's festive season.

In the inside pages, a new O.C. Central Command takes over, and Tat-Aluf Kahana Magen is appointed Commander of the Armoured Forces in Sinai — among several re-

hension. Unwitting collusion yes, but only in retrospect.

Flashbacking the news in the week that was, the latter half of the Ten Days of Penitence between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, is like taking a trip on an eccentric time machine, or getting on the wrong bus. Some spots are recognized, others are familiar but forgotten.

For news published in Ostich Week, let us begin arbitrarily on October 1, a Monday. Fully three-quarters of the front page was devoted to Schoenau. Golda was giving it to them in Strasbourg, at the Council of Europe. A smaller item tells of one of those "puzzling" unannounced Gaddafi visits to Cairo. No clue here — Gaddafi has since grumbled that he had not been kept posted of Sadat's war plan. The inside pages are also chock-full of Kresky, and also a news agency item quoting the new U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia as saying that King Faisal was "dead serious" about oil supply threats.

Tuesday, October 2, and two-thirds of the front page still Schoenau. In another eye-catching front-page item dated Cairo, Egypt awards a U.S. firm a \$345m. contract to build a Suez oil pipeline. Pipe of peace. Staying in the front page, "Informed sources state they did not expect a Syrian military initiative along the Golan front in the predictable future, despite the bolstering of forces in the area."

The report also notes that "Israeli forces along the Golan front were placed on alert over the New Year weekend," the sources explaining the alert as "standard practice" during Israel's festive season.

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cent new appointments of Army brass. Also announced is that Eban is to pay an official visit to Gabon next year, in the spring. Spring might be a little late next year. The Inflation Committee is meeting under Sapir.

The countdown reaches Wednesday, October 3 — squatter Kresky occupies half the front page, including Sadat sending an emissary with thanks to Vienna. It was the least he could do. A Washington agency item reports that the Soviet Union recently sent Iraq about a dozen TU-22 supersonic jet bombers — the first time it had given this aircraft to any other country. A three-column report at the bottom of the front page has it that "A reported military build-up on both sides of Israel's cease-fire lines with Syria and Egypt appeared yesterday to have sparked off fears in a number of Arab capitals of imminent border clashes."

The report recalls that the Israeli Army spokesman has denied reports of a build-up on Israel's side of the borders. "The build-up reports were believed to have stemmed from military movements on the Syrian and Egyptian fronts and subsequent precautionary measures by Israel. (Italics not in original.) The item continues by quoting the Beirut "Al Hayat" claiming that Syria has declared a full alert among all units of its armed forces. The Beirut paper also said that Syria had called up reservists and pensioned officers as a precaution against a possible Israeli attack. The Syrian call-up, it said, "followed an Egyptian state of alert, but the latter was itself reported to have been declared after Syria's call-up."

Which is it? Stop trying to confuse. Front page too, a headline told us "Dayan urges expansion of Jewish Jerusalem." In an election speech in Eastman, he also called on Jews and Arabs in the city to learn to live together. Speaking of the Golan and the Suez, he said, "We have to be prepared to stay on these borders as long as the Arabs don't make peace with us."

The same page carries Election Notes — a triumph of brevity by our sub-editors. Another preoccupation in those far-off days, an in-

side-page headline exclaims "Israel raps I.C.A.O. over Rome missiles case." Bonus points offered for the memory test. Turning the pages of that jumbo-size paper — we will return — Haifa reports that tens of thousands of dollars are being lost every day as a result of clogging in Haifa, Ashdod and Eilat harbours, with record numbers of ships in queue.

Time machine

The time-machine has no conscience — No one is perfect. The editorial today is titled "False Alarm." (Typesetter, get the fine print). For the last few days both the Syrians and Egyptians have been moving troops along their borders with Israel and making it appear as if there were some new and sudden cause for tension. Referring to reported Syrian reinforcements and an Egyptian declaration of a state of emergency among units along the Suez Canal, the editorial comments: "At first these movements were interpreted as indicating some hostile intent in response to Israel's downing of 13 Syrian MiGs last month... Before 1967 such troop movements by our neighbours would have undoubtedly led to an escalation of tension... that this did not occur this week can be taken as an object lesson in the value of borders which constitute a natural barrier... This margin of security enables Israel to look on with greater equanimity at developments on the other side of the frontier." The leader goes on to call for restraint, and notes that the warlike situation is complicated when there are no forms of direct contact which can prevent false assessments from escalating. In mitigation, it can be said that, going by our daily summary of editorials in the Israel press, The Post was the only newspaper to devote an editorial, or at least its main one, to the subject in that whole week.

Thursday, October 4: Two-thirds of front page — Schoenau, with immigration from the Soviet Union and the Austrian capitulation to Arab terror. "Al Hayat" — was that paper being fed! — said Jordan

and Syria had formed a common front to fend off possible Israeli attack on one of its neighbours. It warned that fears of an Israeli reprisal raid over the terrorist attack on the Jewish emigrants' train in Austria coincided with expectations of an Israeli preventive action against the new alignment of Egypt, Syria and Jordan. Schoenau spills over into the inside pages, and more Election Notes. The Shah of Iran warns Arabs: Oil is not an effective weapon. Plenty else was happening and only reported on domestic and foreign, just like on any other day. Friday, October 5, eve of Yom Kippur. Front page led with headlines: "Arabs warn Soviets on emigration of Soviet Jews," and "Schoenau to be closed within very short time." A quicky item says Syria resumes Jordan ties, and a Syrian Foreign Ministry spokesman says the decision was taken in accordance with the spirit of the tripartite agreement in Cairo between the heads of state of Syria, Jordan and Egypt. For all that cozy summit chat with Sadat and Assad, Hussein has since revealed that he was not made privy to the Egyptian-Syrian war plan, and that the war had taken him by surprise. Did the Cairo-Damascus axis at that tripartite summit use Hussein to plant disinformation calculating that this would be grapevined to the "right" address?

Kissinger and Eban met at the U.N. to discuss Austria's decision to shut down Schoenau, and to "review the Middle East problem." The New York report says that Kissinger finally meets today with (now former) Egyptian Foreign Minister Zayyat (after that, Sadat had to replace him). The report goes on, in heavy print, "But after all the examination of words from the Arabs and Israel, the Nixon Administration probably will reaffirm its conclusion that the time is not yet ripe for another try at indirect proximity or any other kind of contacts on a Middle East settlement. (New methods for unseasonal ripening have since been developed.) The same report, departing from Schoenau says: "One point in Eban's speech (to the General Assembly)



Mobilised on Yom Kippur

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Maskit fashion show raises funds for soldier's welfare



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By SARAH HONIG

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MASKIT chose its regular fall
and winter fashion show this
year to show that war or no war,
life must go on. It also seized the
opportunity to collect funds for
the Soldiers' Welfare Committee.

Yael Dayan, who was the evening's M.C. at the Tel Aviv Hilton last Sunday, admitted that "it may seem strange to attend a fashion show of all things in these days of crisis, but perhaps this has a significance of its own — it goes to show that our enemies have not succeeded in disrupting our everyday life," she said.

There is yet more significance to a Maskit fashion show at this time. "Just as Israelis and Arabs are meeting at Kilometre 101, so Maskit has its own Kilometre 101 with Arab embroiderers at Bethlehem and Gaza," Yael Dayan remarked, calling attention to Maskit's traditional blend of folklore and fashion. Much of the colourful Maskit embroidery is done by Arab women.

The show was billed as a free one (the Tel Aviv Hilton made no charge for the use of its ballroom) on invitations sent to almost 1,000 women. They were told that collections for

White crêpe wedding-dress with
tight waistline, with interesting
sleeves designed by Tamara Yuval.
Bethlehem embroidery designed by
Mary Therese Coghan, Maskit
embroidery designer.

the Soldiers' Welfare Committee would be held on the spot. However, Soldiers' Welfare Committee volunteers barred the entrance and insisted that without a minimum IL10 contribution per person, there would be no admittance.

Nevertheless, the ballroom's some 950 seats were all filled and it is estimated that between IL10,000 to IL15,000 were collected for this very worthy cause.

The benefit fashion show was initiated by Maskit director, Mrs. Ruth Dayan (Yael's mother). The funds raised will go to finance gift parcels to make the life of front-line soldiers a little more pleasant. It will also go to purchase transistor radios, TV sets, and candy treats for wounded soldiers still in hospitals.

The fashions themselves were a colourful collection of plaid pantsuits, cashmere day dresses and hand-woven wool outfits. There were the usual Maskit evening and bridal gowns with their special emphasis on the texture of the fabric and the colourful Arab embroidery. While some of the styles retained the original, timeless Maskit look, others certainly harked back to the 1930s.

MUSIC

YOHANAN BOEHM

"Contrasts" is a new series of wide-ranging chamber music programmes presented by the Broadcasting Authority. An innovation is that composers introduce the various items in lieu of the conventional printed programme sheet. David Chen showed that he has a talent in this direction, but should realize that his audience would like to hear the music as well as his comments. The Jerusalem Brass Trio (Le Clair, A. Aharoni, Mendel) gave a proficient performance of three pleasant pieces by Josquin des Pres (c.1450-1521) and a lively amusing Trio by Francis Poulenc (1899-1963). Cilla Groenmeyer and Adi Etzion cooperated very well with Duets by Purcell, Mendelssohn, Couperin and Brahms) but the latter should be careful with her high notes. Simha Heled played a likeable if undistinguished Cello Sonata by Marcello, and Uri Planka performed Ravel's Violin Sonata. The outstanding artist of the evening was Yonathan Zak, who both played the various piano parts and obtrusively led his colleagues to perfection in style and execution. (Jerusalem Khan, Nov. 26).

The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra presented works by Mozart and Dvorak in its "Popular Classics" Series on Tuesday. George Slinger conducted, and he had fine soloists at his side. Stella Richmond, soprano, and baritone Thor Herdian each sang two numbers from "The Marriage of Figaro" and their lively characterisation and vocal attractiveness were greatly appreciated. Duo-pianists Eden and Tamir had to use two instruments of very uneven touch and sonority, so that the two solo parts in "Mozart's Concerto, K.365, stressed the different character of the team-mates. Tamir with his crisp and near aggressive attack made an intriguing contrast to Bracha Eden with her softer touch and a rather pronounced tendency to restraint, resulting in an almost passivity of expression. George Slinger directed Dvorak's "New World" Symphony with his customary enthusiasm to which the orchestra responded with dutiful cooperation. (Jerusalem Theatre, Nov. 27).

YOHANAN BOEHM

SPCA becomes 'pension' for soldiers' animals

By MARJA WOLSKA

Jerusalem Post Reporter

PRACTICALLY all the dogs now being boarded at the "pension" of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa S.P.C.A. belong to reservists called up by the army. "The first few days of the war, we had tens of young men arriving daily, asking us to take care of their pets for the duration, explaining 'My wife is pregnant and can't take care of my dog' or 'My parents don't like animals.' Some were brought in by friends of soldiers who'd already been called up and couldn't get to 30 Rehov Salame.

"Naturally, we made a special rate for these 'military' borders, and in some cases took no money at all," Mrs. Hilda Friedstein, Secretary of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa S.P.C.A., told The Jerusalem Post. Besides helping to deal with the 2,861 animals of all varieties currently registered at the organization's shelter — understaffed by humans but over-filled with dogs, cats, horses, donkeys, and other assorted livestock — Mrs. Friedstein put in long hours collecting dogs as well as horses who joined humans in becoming victims of traffic accidents during the black-out.

"People neglect to tie up their animals — either they forget, or are called up by the army. In the case of the larger animals, we do not

always get the cooperation we need from the police, in locating owners and enforcing proper care. On one day alone, in the Lod area, I myself came upon three injured horses. And please don't think that the victims are all four-legged — a driver who hit one of these animals later died in the hospital."

Another task: watchdogs whose owners go off forgetting to make arrangements for their feeding. This too, Mrs. Friedstein took upon herself, "but I had wonderful help from two English girls who arrived as volunteers and wanted to go to border kibbutzim — but, for security reasons, could not immediately so."

Some of the soldiers who left their pets will never be returning, others have already come back, if only short leaves, to the scenes of no reunions at the S.P.C.A.

Notes for cat lovers, from war front far from the S.P.C.A. the "veteran" Israeli prison who spent three years and more in Egypt, discovered that cats make remarkably good friends over the long and flimsy haul. Nine prisoners, gathered in one room, who included two Shekem employees, several pilots, spent their time raising cats — and brought a real home with them when they released this month.

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LABOUR PAPERS OVER RIFTS

WHAT promised to be a soul-searching session of the Labour Party's Central Committee turned out to be an anti-climax. Faced with growing demands for changes in the leadership and for a major revision of the Gallili Paper, but mindful of the Premier's determination to step down unless her Government and its policies received a vote of confidence, Labour opted for compromise.

Even before the Committee met Wednesday evening, it was clear a way out would be sought and a new party programme formulated that would be couched in terms vague enough to keep all the contending factions and personalities within the fold. Unlike the Gallili paper, which left little to the imagination, the security and political sections of the new platform afford broad scope for interpretation.

An all-out confrontation between the more dovish and hawkish wings of Labour was thus avoided, allowing the party to go united to the electorate.

Drawn up after the Yom Kippur War and on the eve of a peace conference, the platform had to be flexible enough to enable Labour, if it wins the elections, as much room as possible for manoeuvre, while at the same time giving the voters a general idea of the main lines of its policy. Few really expect the next government will be tied down by this platform and in a sense the debate on its contents next Monday will be academic.

The decision of the Labour Party to hold the elections on December 31 amounts in fact to a vote of confidence in its present leadership. By voting not

to reopen the lists or enable submission of new lists, the Central Committee took the easy way out and decided to avoid a complicated set of technical and even legal problems. But the price may be paid on December 31, the majority of the Central Committee's members who voted to hold the elections on time may have failed to properly assess the country's mood, especially among the young voters.

They had in mind, among other things, the need to win a clear-cut mandate for the Geneva talks. At best it can be argued that the opposition, too, had no interest in reopening the lists. But there are also those who feel that democracy was not served by what can be seen as political expediency under the threat of a deadline for peace talks.

The public will now hope that the Prime Minister will include in her next cabinet some of the younger leaders of the Labour Party, among them men who won much praise and well-deserved credit in the recent war. Prior announcement regarding her intentions in this direction may ease public apprehensions regarding the composition of the next government. It will also help improve the image of the Labour Party.

There is still time for Labour to do so if its leaders do not get bogged down in trivial quarrels and continued recriminations. They must emerge from the present discussions of the Central Committee a united party ready to face the voters with courage and promise for vigorous leadership to deal effectively with the tests ahead.

Libya asks French for nuclear arms

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PRESIDENT Georges Pompidou must be feeling these days that Arab oil is flowing through his Elysee Palace following the visit here of Libya's Colonel Muammar Gaddafi, Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister Sheikh Yamani, Algerian Energy Minister Belaid Abdesslam and West German Chancellor Willy Brandt. In addition, every hour brings new telegrams from 16 Arab States and France's eight Common Market partners.

Although the official description offered to the two-hour Pompidou-Gaddafi talks here last Saturday was "both parties were highly satisfied," there are enough leaks from the French side at least to show that the French President is beginning to realise that the Colonel is a difficult man to deal with.

Shocked French officials realised that Gaddafi wanted to do a secret global deal with France in which Libya would invest hundreds of millions of dollars in French industry in exchange for a French-built nuclear weapons industry. The officials even discerned hidden threats in case France did not follow the entire Gaddafi political line.

Save the Concorde

Gaddafi is understood to have offered to establish a bank with Libyan money in order to save the Concorde, which is dear to Pompidou's heart.

Another of the Colonel's ideas was in line with his projected tour of Black Africa next year. He hoped to invest in these African countries, and would be glad to have France as an investment guide.

France receives about eight per cent of her oil needs from Libya but is naturally heavily dependent

on the rest of the Arab world, notably Algeria.

One possible solution to the Gaddafi dilemma was mentioned by commentator Philippe Bernart in the conservative daily "Aurore" when he reported that a senior French diplomat wondered how long the Colonel would survive assassination attempts. M. Bernart said that the Colonel barely escaped a bid to kill him only two weeks ago in Tripoli and rarely leaves the fortified Bab Aziza barracks where he lives behind barbed wire. Certainly, no private visitor to Paris has ever been so heavily guarded.

Cold Christmas

At a press conference, a newsmen asked whether the Arabs would feel sympathy for British people having a petrol-less and poorly heated Christmas. Sheikh Yamani of Saudi Arabia said that any suffering was Israel's fault and he hoped Israelis would realise the high price they are making the world pay for their illegal occupation of Arab lands.

The Sheikh, who has a strange view of things, advised Europeans not to convert to nuclear energy because this would make them dependent on America, "but with us you will be able to establish cooperation on an equal footing."

There is little doubt that President Pompidou has been given the Arab message from Arab leaders as published in the French language Algerian newspaper "El Moudjahid". The newspaper, which reflects official Algerian thinking, said the Arab-African oil embargo was just a foretaste of what could happen to the West.

SOVIETS CONDEMN LIBYAN FENCE-SITTING

Gaddafi is lone wolf against Russian role

By KARL LAVRENKO

COL. Muammar Gaddafi, the gaunt man from Tripoli, is a rather lonely figure among the Arabs today. At a time when even the Saudi Arabian took the unhesitant step of congratulating the Kremlin on the anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution, Gaddafi is beating the drum against Russia.

He believes he has good reasons for distancing Russia. The government-controlled Tripoli Radio recently declared: "At a time when the Americans intervened in force on the side of Israel, the Soviets were content to render a very limited aid to the Arabs, concentrating their efforts on fooling our people into belief that a so-called 'just settlement' of the Middle East crisis should be made."

The cease-fire, the Libyans say, is nothing but a trick, working to the advantage of Israel and ensuring the domination of the Middle East by the two superpowers, Russia and America.

The Russians have not been slow in reacting to this lone, hostile voice among the Arabs. After a particularly scathing attack on the USSR, the Soviet official news agency Tass retorted that Col. Gaddafi "has no right to pass judgement on the role played by the Soviet Union in the Middle East because Libya has herself been sitting on the sidelines and did nothing to help the Arabs effectively."

This touched the Libyans on a sensitive spot, no doubt. Gaddafi's attitude to the war has been ambivalent from the start. He told a French journalist that he disagreed both with the strategy and the objectives of the struggle.

But it has been clear all along that what pained him most was that Presidents Sadat and Assad failed to inform or consult him before launching their war.

Gaddafi might reasonably have expected more cooperation from his eastern neighbours, and has rightly been suspecting a Russian hand behind the apparent reluctance of the two sister Arab nations to get more involved with militantly anti-communist Libya.

Although he offered to "bank-roll" the Arab war effort, available information suggests that he has hardly been extravagant in his aid effort. Out of \$900m. made available to Egypt in the first week of the fighting only \$170m. came from Libya.

Gaddafi was in the forefront of those clamouring for oil to be used as a weapon to pressure the supporters of the Jewish State. But being at loggerheads with the traditional rulers in the Arab world he has had little influence on the policies of the countries mainly exporting the crude to the U.S., notably Saudi Arabia.

While threatening, or cajoling, Europeans the Libyan leader cast his diplomatic net wide in an ostensible to harm and isolate Archbishop Makarios, President of Cyprus, appears to be the leader to fall in with Gaddafi's scheme.

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Gaddafi yawns in Yugoslavia week, during his first visit to Communist country.

But most of Libyan oil goes to western Europe, which has been adopting a neutral stance in the war, careful not to offend Arabs. None the less, Gaddafi is making a great diplomatic effort to bamboozle the Europeans into a pronounced pro-Arab line. He has been clearly disappointed with Gaddafi's favourite among European nations, reaping rewards in the form of arms, military and industrial equipment for Libya.

European leaders, including Minister Edward Heath and Chancellor Willy Brandt, have been of their ways to placate the Western Germany, for one, by 25 per cent of her petroleum supply.

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SUPERPOWERS SEEN IN 'NEUTRAL' ROLE

U.S. concept of Geneva conference: 'Free talks' without pressure

By DANIEL GOTTLIEB
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—The United States concept of the upcoming Middle East peace conference is that the two sponsoring superpowers will allow Israel and the Arabs to negotiate freely, diplomatic sources said here this week.

This understanding of the U.S. position was reported against a background of persistent comment in the American press that the United States would be forced to bring pressure on Israel to make concessions at the Geneva Conference expected to open next month.

The sources acknowledged that there would obviously be consultations between the United States and Israel and the Arabs and between the Soviet Union and the Arabs outside the conference sessions.

The concept of "free negotiations," the sources explained, was that neither the United States nor the Soviet Union, as co-sponsors and participants at the conference, would be in the position of arguing with one of the protagonists in the Middle East conflict.

In fact, the sources said, the presence of both superpowers at the conference should help prevent the intervention of either in the negotiations.

Despite this attempt to neutralize the influence of these superpowers, the Israelis feel Israel will be approaching the conference in an international climate which is adverse to the conduct of free negotiations and puts her at a disadvantage.

The adverse factors for Israel are the energy crisis, the framework of détente, the 100 per cent support of the Soviet Union for the Arab position in contrast to the 40 to 60 per cent support of the United States, and the Arab oil pressure.

Israel leverage

Asked what leverage Israel had, short of war, the sources replied that it was in the interests of the western world to allow maximum freedom to the parties in the upcoming peace negotiations.

The United States, they said, cannot be part of a solution which is dictated by one of the parties without becoming responsible for its execution.

If, for instance, the United States forces Israel to make concessions and the peace agreement breaks down, the United States will be obliged to rescue the situation created as a result of these concessions.

Peace cannot be achieved by "gimmicks" such as peace-keeping

forces or international or bilateral guarantees unless these supplement a secure agreement negotiated by the parties on the ground.

Regarding the delay in the military disengagement talks at kilometre 101, the sources said this was due to the fact that strategic rather than tactical movements of forces were involved. These probably will be taken up as the first item of business at the Geneva Conference, they said.

The sources said that they saw no bar to discussion of this issue before the Israeli elections on December 31, but that other issues before the conference probably would have to wait until after the polling.

Israel would be opposed to sitting down at the conference with Syria if she refuses to come to an agreement on the exchange of prisoners of war, or with the Fatah or other "terrorist" groups, the sources believe.

Commenting on the Arab summit declaration calling for full Israeli withdrawal and restoration of the rights of Palestinians, Israeli Ambassador Simcha Dinitz told newsmen that this does not pose an impediment to the negotiations. Each side has its right to state its position at the negotiations, he observed.

Dry Bones



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The Algiers summit

Davar (Histadrut) says: "This summit differed from its predecessors in that ostensibly it sanctioned the possibility of starting peace talks with Israel, while the others categorically ruled out any such possibility. However, the banner of peace is so unpopular among the Arabs that it could be raised only when accompanied by sword rattling. The Arab leaders made it clear that their agreement to talks in no way marks a change in their political aims."

Al Hamlehamar (Mapam) says the two conditions which the conference termed as basic for peace were in fact two stages for the elimination of Israel. Israel is asked to withdraw from all the occupied territory, including Jerusalem, and only after that to "restore the national rights of the Palestinian people." In other words, they demand that Israel give up territories beyond the borders of June 1967 — i.e., a retreat to the U.N. partition borders of 1947. If that is to be the Arab stand at the Geneva conference, the chances of success are very slim. However, one may assume that the Arab leaders understand that Israel could not negotiate on terms such as these, and that the actual conference will be more realistic.

Hatzofe (National Religious) is not surprised at the extremeness of the resolutions. "Not a single previous Arab summit ever considered the possibility of co-existence with Israel. The real purpose of the conference, even though this was not stated openly in the formal resolutions, was revealed by the Secretary of the Arab League, Mohammed Rihad, when he said the Arab leaders had undertaken to ensure the restoration of the rights of the Palestinian people according to the definition of the P.L.O. Israel should have no delusions about prospects of a settlement and be prepared for a resumption of Arab aggression."

Ha'arets (Non-party) refers to the irony of the fact that large numbers of trucks specifically ordered by the Ministry of Transport in a hurry to cope with the bottleneck of merchandise at the ports are now themselves blocking up the ports... while at the same time production is being held up in factories because supplies are not arriving. "The Ministry had sufficient time to organize a solution to these problems so that these trucks be put to immediate use."

Hamodia (Agudat Israel) says the Algiers resolutions not only will not promote peace with Israel, but may thwart the actual Geneva peace conference. The resolutions are so extreme as hardly to leave room for negotiation. The Arabs' sense of triumph is due to several causes — not necessarily the military outcome of the war, but primarily the success of the oil embargo. However, another factor which contributes to this is "the political unrest inside Israel."

Readers' letters

The Jews have always been alone

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — We in Britain see and hear Israelis describe their feelings at the events of recent weeks and the attitude of almost every government in the world towards Israel. Let me tell Israeli Jews that the Jews in Britain feel exactly the same as they do. You have an advantage of being physically involved; we are frustrated. On the other hand we can, and do, constantly let our M.P.s and our craven political leaders know what we, as Jews and as British citizens, think of their immoral conduct. Although we may live 2,000 miles away, our thoughts, minds and feelings are as one with you — we are one people. Your losses are our losses, your worries are our worries.

We say to you: Fight again if you believe it better to risk more lives now than 3 million in a few years' time. Do not concern yourselves with foreign opinion or "isolation." Since when have Jews ever been anything but alone? Whatever you decide, fight or stand fast or negotiate, do it from strength, secure in the knowledge that your decisions will be ours. We are and will be 100 per cent behind you and should you say the word, we shall

be alongside you as quickly as it takes to travel to the Jewish Land. Cockfosters, Herts., November 10.

SOVIET INTENTIONS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — In 1939, when we left Germany, the Nazi government allowed Jews emigrating to Palestine to transfer a limited amount of money at a favourable exchange rate. When our belongings were checked by a Nazi official before our lifeline was sealed, the man told me rather jovially before he left: "Next year we'll pay a visit over there. Maybe we shall meet once more." Soon after, the war broke out. Nazi troops got dangerously near to our country and I often remembered those words which revealed the conviction of the Germans that they would get back all the Jews they had let out and their belongings by invading the Middle East.

When the Russians began unexpectedly to grant permission to sizeable numbers of Jews to emigrate to Israel, my experience of three decades ago came back to my memory. Don't the Russians have similar intentions? They staunchly support the Arabs yet enlarge the Jewish population of Israel. Current events justify our misgivings. MERVYN S. KERSH
Sha'al Zion, November 5.

NO MORE JAPANESE PRODUCTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — We hereby inform the Japanese Government that, due to its totally unacceptable interference in matters that pertain to the vital security of the people of Israel, our company, International Video of Israel, Ltd., will no longer purchase any product manufactured in Japan. This policy applies to our division in the United States as well.

ALAN FLANS,
Managing Director
Tel Aviv, November 23.

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